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## TRANSMITTAL LETTER TO THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US) CONCERNING FILING UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371

Attorney Docket No.: 128.1123USN

Int'l. Application No.:
Int'l. Filing Date:
Priority Date Claimed:
Title of Invention:

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PCT/SE2003/001065 23 JUNE 2003 3 JULY 2002 A METHOD AND A DIGE

A METHOD AND A DIGESTER FOR THE CONTINUOUS COOKING OF WOOD RAW MATERIAL TO CELLULOSE PULP Vidar Snekkenes

Applicant(s) for DO/ES/US:

Applicant herewith submits to the United States Designated/Elected/Office (DO/EO/US) the following items and other information:

- 1. [X] This is a FIRST submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371.
- [] This is a SECOND or SUBSEQUENT submission of items concerning a filing under 37 U.S.C. 371.
- 3. [X] This is an express request to begin national examination procedures (35 U.S.C. 371(f)) at any time rather than delay examination until the expiration of the applicable time limit set in 35 U.S.C. 371(b) and PCT Articles 22 and 39(1).
- 4. [X] A proper Demand for International Preliminary Examination was made by the 19th month from the earliest claimed priority date.
- 5. [X] A copy of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2)

a. [] is transmitted herewith (required only if not transmitted by the International Bureau).

b. [X] has been transmitted by the International Bureau.

- C. [] is not required, as the application was filed in the United States Receiving Office (RO/US).
- 7. [X] Amendments to the claims of the International Application under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3))

[] are transmitted herewith (required only if not transmitted by the International Bureau).

- have been transmitted by the International Bureau.
- c. [] have not been made; however, the time limit for making such amendments has NOT expired.
- d. [X] have not been made and will not be made.
- 9. [X] An oath or declaration of the inventor (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(4)).
- 11. [ ] An Information Disclosure Statement under 37 C.F.R. 1.97 and 1.98.

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- 12. [ ] An assignment document for recording. A cover sheet in compliance with 37 C.F.R. 3.28 and 3.31 is included.
- 13. [X] A FIRST preliminary amendment.
- 14. [ ] Applicant qualifies for Small Entity Status (37 C.F.R. 1.9(f) and 1.27(b),
- 16. [ ] Other items or information: (if any)
- 17. [X] Basic National Filing Fee of \$1110.00 is submitted (Neither international preliminary examination fee (37 C.F.R. 1.482) nor international search fee 37 C.F.R. 1.44.5(a)(2) paid to U.S.P.T.O.).

CLAIMS AS FILED			
For	Number Filed	Number Extra	Basic Fee \$1110.00
			Rate
Total Claims	10 - 20	= 0	x \$18.00 = \$0.00
Ind. Claims	2 - 3	= 0	x \$88.00 = \$0.00

19. [ ] Reduction by 1/2 for filing by small entity, if applicable. Applicant qualifies as small entity. TOTAL FILING FEE:

\$555.00

- 20. [ ] Fee for recording the enclosed assignment (37 C.F.R. 1.21(h)). The assignment must be accompanied by an appropriate cover sheet (37 C.F.R. 3.28, 3.31). \$40.00 per property.
- 21. [X] A check in the amount of \$1110.00 to cover the above fee is enclosed.
- 23. [X] The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 06-0243.

Respectfully submitted,

Rolf Fasth Registration Number 36,999

PLEASE ASSOCIATE THIS APPLICATION WITH CUSTOMER NUMBER 33369

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